WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1		1.	A process for preparing partly hydrophobic metal oxide		
2	particles, which comprises silylating metal oxide particles with				
3		I)	an organosilane of the formula		
4			$R^{1}_{n}SiX_{4-n}$		
5	where n	is 1, 2 or 3			
6	or mixtures of these organosilanes,				
7	R^1 b	eing a mono	valent, optionally halogenated hydrocarbon radical having 1 to		
8	2	24 carbon ato	oms, being identical or different at each occurrence, and being		
9	S	aturated, are	omatic, monounsaturated, or polyunsaturated,		
10	X e	each indepen	dently being halogen, a nitrogen radical, OR ² , OCOR ² , or		
11	C	$O(CH_2)_xOR^2$			
12	R^2 b	eing hydrog	en or a monovalent hydrocarbon radical having 1 to 12 carbon		
13	а	itoms, and			
14	x b	being 1, 2 or	3;		
15	or				
16		II)	an organosiloxane composed of units of the formula		
			$(\mathbf{D}^{1},\mathbf{G}^{1},\mathbf{G}^{2})$ and $(\mathbf{D}^{1},\mathbf{G}^{2},\mathbf{G}^{2})$		
17			$(R_3^1SiO_{1/2})$, and/or		
18	$(R_2^1SiO_{2/2})$, and/or				
19		•	$(R^1SiO_{3/2})$		
20	where R ¹ is as defined above, or mixtures thereof,				
21	the number of these units in one organosiloxane being at least 2; and I and II being				
22	used alone or in any desired mixtures in a total amount of from 0.015 mmol/g to				
23	0.15 mmol/g per 100 m ² /g of metal oxide BET surface area measured by the BET				
24	method in accordance with DIN 66131 and 66132.				

2. The process of claim 1, wherein the metal oxide comprises 1 2 a pyrogenic metal oxide. 3. The process of claim 1, wherein the metal oxide is fluidized 1 2 during silylation. 4. The process of claim 1, wherein the metal oxide comprises 1 2 silica. The process of claim 4, wherein the metal oxide comprises 5. pyrogenic silica. 2 6. 1 The process of claim 1, wherein the reaction comprises the 2 steps of (1) loading metal oxide with silylating agent(s) at a temperature of 20°C to 3 120°C to form a metal oxide and silylating agent mixture, (2) reacting the metal oxide and silylating agent mixture at a temperature of 50°C to 330°C to form a 4 partly silylated metal oxide, and (3) purifying the partily silylated metal oxide at a temperature of 290°C to 340°C. 7. A partly hydrophobic silica whose particles have a contact 1 angle θ in air for water of less than 180°, the degree of coverage τ of the surface of 2 the silica with silylating agent residues, based on the total silica particle surface 3 4 area, being $1\% < \tau < 50\%$, the density of the surface silanol groups SiOH ranging between a minimum of 0.9 and a maximum of 1.7 SiOH/nm² particle surface area, 5 6 and the particles having a carbon content of less than 0.1% by weight and up to 20% by weight, and a methanol number of less than 30. 7 8. An additive for controlling the rheology of liquid and pulverulent systems, which comprises a silica of claim 7. 2

1	'	9.	An additive for controlling the rheology of liquid and
2	pulverulent sys	tems,	which comprises a silica prepared by the process of claim 1.
1		10.	A toner or developer which comprises a silica as claimed in
2	claim 7.		
1		11.	A toner or developer which comprises a silica as claimed in
2	claim 9.		
1		12.	An emulsion which comprises a silica as claimed in claim 7.
2	- -	13.	An emulsion which comprises a silica as claimed in claim 9.
1]	14.	The emulsion of claim 12, which comprises no emulsifier
2	other than said	silica.	